Sample article for national organizations to use when communicating to their local affiliates

Please encourage your local affiliates to help spread the word about Tax Assistance Day – March 27 in their communities

IRS Seeks Help from [name of organization or title of position, i.e., United Way, Extension Agents] to Spread the Word about Tax Assistance Day, March 27, 2010.

The Internal Revenue Service is taking additional steps this tax season to help people having difficulties meeting their tax obligations and is looking for your help to reach individuals and families in your communities.

On Saturday, March 27, 2010, some IRS offices across the nation will open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. to give struggling taxpayers more opportunity to work directly with IRS employees to resolve issues.

IRS employees will answer questions for taxpayers on a full range of tax law provisions such as the new allowance for \$2,400 of tax-free unemployment compensation benefits. They'll provide services that are normally provided at these offices including

- Accepting payments
- Helping with IRS letters, notices and levies on wages and bank accounts
- Making adjustments to tax account information or payments
- Obtaining copies of tax returns & transcripts
- Answering tax law questions
- Completing federal income tax returns

How can you help the IRS? By spreading the word, leaving a flyer with a customer or making a mention in a news column.

For content and materials you can use, check out the <u>Partner Outreach Corner</u> at IRS.gov or email <u>partner@irs.gov</u> if you have any questions.

NOTE TO AFFILIATES: Below are additional items you can use to promote March 27.

- Listing of IRS offices open on March 27
- Flyer to promote March 27 Saturday Service (English)
- Flyer to promote March 27 Saturday Service (Spanish)